

The Championship game against the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire featured a torrid first half, clutch plays in the waning minutes and a well-balanced attack in which five Knights scored in double figures. With this 79-74 victory, Calvin concluded the season with a 22-game winning streak, and became only the sixth Division III school to have won two national championships.

The season became even sweeter when Jeremy Veenstra, of Kalamazoo, MI, and Aaron Winkle, of Lake City, MI, were named to the Final Four All-Tournament team. In addition, Winkle was both an All-American and Academic All-American. I know my Senate colleagues will join me in saluting Calvin College for their extraordinary individual achievements and their National Championship. Go Knights!

Mr. President, I ask that the team roster be printed in the RECORD.

The material follows:

CALVIN COLLEGE MEN'S ROSTER

Name	Yr	Ht	Wt	P	Hometown
No. 4. Kyle Smith	Fr.	6-0	175	G	Jenison, MI
No. 10. Bryan Foltice	Fr.	6-0	165	G	Wyoming, MI
No. 12. Jon Potvin	So.	5-11	165	G	Gladstone, MI
No. 14. Aaron Winkle ¹	Sr.	6-6	195	F	Lake City, MI
No. 20. Dave Bartels	Fr.	6-3	175	G	Kalamazoo, MI
No. 22. Nate Burgess	Jr.	5-11	170	G	Byron Center, MI
No. 24. Nate Karsten ¹	Sr.	6-2	190	G	Zeeland, MI
No. 30. Tim Bruinsma	So.	6-3	190	G	Grand Rapids, MI
No. 32. Jason DeKuiper	Jr.	6-2	190	G	Fremont, MI
No. 34. Jeremy Veenstra	Fr.	6-6	205	F	Kalamazoo, MI
No. 40. Brian Krosschell ¹	Jr.	6-8	215	F/C	Grand Rapids, MI
No. 42. Nick Ploegstra	So.	6-4	215	F	Cleveland, MI
No. 44. Jon VanderPlas	Fr.	6-6	210	F/C	Kalamazoo, MI
No. 50. Derek Kleinheksel	Jr.	6-6	200	F/C	Hamilton, MI
No. 52. Josh Tubergen	So.	6-7	205	C	Zeeland, MI
Rob Dykstra	So.	6-3	215	F	Byron Center, MI

¹ denotes tri-captains.
Head Coach: Kevin Vande Steek.
Assistants: Chris Fear, Tim VanDyke.

TRIBUTE TO DAVE McDUFFEE

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Dave McDuffee on his receiving the Merrimack Chamber of Commerce Organization of the Year award. This award recognizes one organization or business which is dedicated to reaching out to the community.

At the helm of any corporation, there is always one individual who stands out as beacon which lights the path for fellow workers to follow. Dave is such an individual. As President of McDuffee Insurance, Dave has learned that a solid business structure rests on the surrounding community.

Dave's working career has been dedicated to both the insurance business and the community. In 1981, Dave started his own insurance agency with offices in Pepperell, Massachusetts and

Merrimack, New Hampshire. A few years later, he added another office in Dover. Dave's business, which began with himself and a secretary, has grown to be the largest independently owned agency in New Hampshire with nearly 40 employees. With effort, dedication, and hard work, Dave has built a growing empire in its own right. Few men could do as he has done without his courage and drive.

Additionally, Dave has managed to place his agency at the forefront of community affairs. Dave is a firm believer in people and businesses coming together for the betterment of the community. He strongly urges members of his board to participate in community events and activities. His agency has been a sponsor of the Merrimack Chamber's golf tournaments, MYA teams, and numerous other charities.

It is an honor to represent Dave McDuffee in the United States Senate. Mary Jo and I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. May you always continue to inspire those around you in their dedication to the community.●

TRIBUTE TO THOMAS PESCHKE

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Master Chief Thomas Peschke upon his retiring from the United States Naval and Marine Corps. Thomas has faithfully served his country and its citizens for more than thirty years. As a Navy veteran myself, I know firsthand the dedication and hard work that this entails. Thomas is one who has exhibited integrity, courage, honor, and leadership, and has gained the respect of his peers, and superiors. He is truly an example by which future generations can set their compass as they sail into the future.

I wish Thomas much happiness as he embarks upon his new journey in life. He will be greatly missed. Thomas, it has been a pleasure to represent you in the United States Senate. I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. May you always continue to inspire those around you.●

TRIBUTE TO THE ROCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the brave men and women of the Rochester Fire Department, whose quick thinking and willingness to put their lives on the line for their fellow citizens helped save the lives of three families trapped inside their burning apartment building.

The fire that engulfed the apartment building on 19 Sumner Street the night of January 11th could have resulted in the loss of many lives. Instead, the families that lived there, including two very young children, are alive and re-

covering today because the men and women of the Rochester Fire Department risked their lives to save these families. We often forget just how much these courageous people risk in the service of others. As they go to work each and every day, firefighters are taking the ultimate risk so they can protect and serve their neighbors.

Despite their heroic deeds, the men and women of the Rochester Fire Department remain humble about their amazing rescue. Ask any of them and they will tell you they were merely "doing their job", and they would do it again if someone else's family needed help. Their unselfishness, professionalism, and dedication keep all of us safe.

I thank the men and women of the Rochester Fire Department for their bravery and hard work. It is truly an honor to serve them and all of the firefighters in our great state.●

TRIBUTE TO CINDY TAYLOR

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise to pay tribute to Cindy Taylor upon the occasion of her being recognized as the Merrimack Chamber of Commerce 1999 Business Person of the Year. Cindy has faithfully served the chamber and its members for the past two years, and she has become an example for other volunteers to follow.

Her position with the Public Service Company of New Hampshire inspired Cindy to become involved with the chamber in 1998. She was almost immediately nominated as the ambassador at various chamber events. In 1999, Cindy became vice president of membership for the chamber. With Cindy at the helm, the committee increased its numbers by 20%. During this period, Cindy also co-chaired the annual banquet committee. This position required an extensive amount of effort in planning and executing the celebration. Cindy's participation in any project guarantees organization, dedication and quality. She is one whose input is valued on all projects, and who desires to hear the opinions of others. She is truly a team-player, and was subsequently nominated as Chamber President for the year 2000.

Cindy, it is a pleasure to represent such a valuable woman from New Hampshire in the United States Senate. Mary Jo and I wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors. May you always continue to inspire those around you.●

TRIBUTE TO TERRY WHEELLOCK

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Terry Wheelock upon the occasion of his receiving the Merrimack Chamber's Presidential Award. Terry has been with the Chamber for many years,